

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 to 3 (cancelled)

Claim 4 (currently amended)

~~Use according to The method of claim [4] 11, comprising 3.5 to 1% of ginkgo biloba A, B, C and J, 40 to 60% of flavoneglycosides, and 5 to 7% of bilobalide characterized in that wherein~~ the Ginkgo biloba extract contains at least 5% of ginkgolides.

Claim 5 (currently amended)

~~Use according to The method of claim 4, characterized in that wherein~~ the Ginkgo biloba extract contains at least 50% of ginkgolides.

Claim 6 (currently amended)

~~Use of a compound of general formula (I) The method of claim 11 wherein the extract contains a compound of the formula~~

in which W, X, Y and Z independently represent the H, OH, linear or branched alkoxy alkoxy or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radicals, G_s-OH representing a mono- or a disaccharide, or one of their derivatives or analogues,

it being understood that at least one W, X, Y or Z represents an $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical is a mono- or disaccharide,

~~for preparing a medicament intended to ease the withdrawal of individuals independent on the consumption of a substance engendering dependency and/or addiction, such as in particular alcohol, amphetamines, tobacco, drugs inducing toxicomania.~~

Claim 7 (currently amended)

~~Use according to The method of claim 6, characterized in that wherein:~~

-either W represents is OH and or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical, a mono-or disaccharide, Y represents is H;

-or W represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical, a mono-or disaccharide, Y represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical, a mono-or disaccharide, and Z represents is H;

-or W represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical, a mono-or disaccharide, Y represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical, a mono-or disaccharide, and Z represents is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ -radical, a mono-or disaccharide,

-or W represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical, a mono- or disaccharide, Y represents is H and Z represents an is OH or a mono- or disaccharide $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical,

-or W represents is H, Y represents is OH or a mono- or disaccharide $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical and Z represents an is OH or a mono- or disaccharide $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical;

-or W represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y represents is a linear or branched alkoxy radical and Z represents is H;
it being understood that at least one of W, X, Y or Z represents an $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical is a mono- or disaccharide.

Claim 8 (currently amended)

Use according to The method of claim 6 or 7, characterized in that wherein:

-either W represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y represents is H and Z represents is H;

-or W represents is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical a mono- or disaccharide, and Z represents is H;

-or W represents an is OH or $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y represents is a linear or branched alkoxy radical and Z represents is H;

it being understood that atleast one of W, X, Y or Z represents an $\text{O}-\text{G}_s$ radical a mono- or disaccharide.

Claim 9 (cancelled)

Claim 10 (currently amended)

~~Use according to The method of claim 9, characterized in that 13 wherein the~~
ginkgolide is ginkgolide A or ginkolide B.

Claim 11 (new)

A method of alleviating withdrawal symptoms in a human for substance dependency or addiction engendering said dependency or addiction comprising administering to a human in need thereof an amount of Ginkgo biloba extract sufficient to alleviate said withdrawal symptoms.

Claim 12 (new)

The method of claim 11 wherein the substance is tobacco or drugs inducing toxicomania.

Claim 13 (new)

The method of claim 11 wherein the extract is selected from the group consisting of a ginkolide, a pharmaceutical salt thereof, a glycosylated ginkolide, an alkoxylated ginkolide and an acylated ginkolide.

Claim 14 (new)

The method of claim 11 wherein the Ginklo biloba extract comprises 20 to 30% by weight of flavoneglycosides, 2.5 to 4.5% by weight of ginkolides A, B, C and J, 2 to 4% by weight of bilobolide, less than 10% by weight of proanthocyanidines and less than 10 ppm of compounds of alkylphenol type.

Claim 15 (new)

The method of claim 14 wherein the Ginkgo biloba extract has less than 5 ppm of compounds of the alkylphenol type.

Claim 16 (new)

The method of claim 12 wherein the substance is tobacco.